

The City Council of the City of Mattoon held a regular meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers on October 19, 2010.

Acting Mayor Gover presided and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Acting Mayor Gover led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members of the Council answered roll call physically present: YEA Commissioner Randy Ervin, YEA Commissioner Rick Hall, YEA Commissioner Chris Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Tim Gover.

Also physically present were City personnel: Attorney & Treasurer J. Preston Owen, Community Development Coordinator Kyle Gill, Fire Chief Tony Nichols, Police Chief Jeff Branson, and City Clerk Susan O'Brien.

Acting Mayor Gover called for a moment of silence to observe the passing of former Commissioner Larry Butler.

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Ervin moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes of the regular meeting October 5, 2010; Finance Report for the month of September 2010; bills and payroll for the last half of October, 2010.

Bills and Payroll for the last half of October 2010

General Fund

Payroll		\$	238,755.99
Bills		\$	<u>105,492.15</u>
	Total	\$	344,248.14

Hotel Tax Fund

Payroll		\$	1,927.65
Bills		\$	<u>249.46</u>
	Total	\$	2,177.11

Festival Management

Bills		\$	<u>36.96</u>
	Total	\$	36.96

Insurance & Tort Judgment

Bills		\$	<u>11,974.82</u>
	Total	\$	11,974.82

Midtown TIF District

Bills		\$	<u>5,726.24</u>
	Total	\$	5,726.24

Capital Project

Bills		\$	<u>17,715.91</u>
	Total	\$	17,715.91

South Rte 45 TIF District Water Fund

Payroll		\$	23,968.22
Bills		\$	<u>45,952.56</u>
	Total	\$	69,920.78

Sewer Fund

Payroll		\$	27,595.63
Bills		\$	<u>61,182.09</u>
	Total	\$	88,777.72

Cemetery

Bills		\$	<u>1.95</u>
	Total	\$	1.95

Motor Fuel Tax Fund

Bills		\$	13,438.38
	Total	\$	13,438.38

Health Insurance

Bills		\$	37,706.37
	Total	\$	37,706.37

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for discussion with no responders.

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion to approve the consent agenda carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/PRESENTATION AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. Robert Gray of 514 DeWitt addressed the Council with his concern of not allowing parking on the boulevard. Chief Branson explained the new process of cleaning up the city and explained no favoritism. Acting Mayor requested Chief Branson to continue the discussion outside of the meeting and call for any additional comment from the public. There were no additional comments or questions from the public.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Ervin moved to adopt Special Ordinance 2010-1403, approving a one-year successor Collective Bargaining Agreement with Mattoon Firefighters Association, Local 691, International Association of Firefighters, AFL-CIO.

**CITY OF MATTOON, ILLINOIS
SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 2010-1403**

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A ONE YEAR CONTRACT RENEWAL OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE MATTOON FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 691, IAFF, AFL-CIO

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF MATTOON, COLES COUNTY, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1. The Council hereby approves a one year contract renewal to the "Collective Bargaining Agreement" dated October 19, 2010 with the Mattoon Firefighters Association, Local 691, IAFF, AFL-CIO, a copy of which is attached and incorporated by reference.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be deemed published as of the day of its adoption and approval by the City Council.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be effective upon its approval as provided by law.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Ervin, adopted this 19th day of October, 2010, by a roll call vote, as follows:

AYES (Names): Commissioner Ervin, Commissioner Hall,
Commissioner Rankin, Acting Mayor Gover
NAYS (Names): None
ABSENT (Names): None

APPROVED this 19th day of October, 2010.

/s/ Tim Gover
Tim Gover, Acting Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Susan J. O'Brien
Susan J. O'Brien, City Clerk

/s/ J. Preston Owen
J. Preston Owen, City Attorney & Treasurer

Recorded in the Municipality's Records on October 19, 2010.

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for discussion with no responders.

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

Commissioner Rankin seconded by Commissioner Ervin moved to adopt Special Ordinance 2010-1404, declaring a certain parcel of land located on Richmond Avenue as surplus; and authorizing the acceptance of bids for the property.

**CITY OF MATTOON, ILLINOIS
SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 2010-1404**

A SPECIAL ORDINANCE DECLARING THAT A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED ON RICHMOND AVENUE AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS FOR THE PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the City of Mattoon owns a parcel of property located on Richmond Avenue between 10th and 11th Streets; and,

WHEREAS, this property has remained vacant for a number of years and the City has not used this property; and,

WHEREAS, the parcel is more fully described as:

Lots Seven (7), Eight (8), Nine (9), Ten (10), Eleven (11) and Twelve (12) in Block Eighty-Eight (88) of the original town, now City of Mattoon, Mattoon Township, Coles County, Illinois.

WHEREAS, the parcel is no longer useful or necessary to the City of Mattoon; and

WHEREAS, the parcel is situated in the City of Mattoon, Mattoon Township, Coles County and is zoned R-2, single and two family residences; and,

WHEREAS, the management staff believe it is in the City's best interest that the land be sold to Coles County Habitat for Humanity for the purpose of constructing four new single family residences; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Statutes, at 65 ILCS 5/11-76-2, do not allow for the direct donation of the land to a charitable organization, but allow the City Council to "accept the high bid or any other bid determined to be in the best interest of the city or village by a vote of 3/4 of the corporate authorities then holding office".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF MATTOON, COLES COUNTY, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to procedures prescribed by state statute (65 ILCS 5/11-76-2), the City of Mattoon will accept sealed bids for the property described above on Tuesday December 7, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council chambers at the regular meeting of the Mattoon City Council.

Section 2. The use of the property will be limited to no more than four single family residences being allowed to be constructed on the above described property.

Section 3. The City Clerk is directed to publish notice of the sale each week for the next three weeks in the Journal-Gazette newspaper in the form as directed by Illinois Statute at 65 ILCS 5/11-76-2.

Upon motion by Commissioner Rankin, seconded by Commissioner Ervin, adopted this 19th day of October, 2010, by a roll call vote, as follows:

AYES (Names): Commissioner Ervin, Commissioner Hall
Commissioner Rankin, Acting Mayor Gover
NAYS (Names): None
ABSENT (Names): None

Approved this 19th day of October, 2010.

/s/ Timothy D. Gover
Timothy D. Gover, Acting Mayor
City of Mattoon, Coles County, Illinois

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Susan J. O'Brien
Susan J. O'Brien, City Clerk

/s/ J. Preston Owen
J. Preston Owen, City Attorney

Recorded in the Municipality's Records on October 19, 2010.

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for discussion or comments with no responders.

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

Acting Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Ervin moved to approve Council Decision Request 2010-1157, authorizing a five-year term engagement with Gallagher to serve as the City of Mattoon's "Broker of Record" for property, casualty and workers compensation insurance; and authorizing the Acting Mayor to sign the Insurance Services Agreement.

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for discussion or comments with no responders.

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

Acting Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Rankin moved to approve Council Decision Request 2010-1158, approving the employment of a replacement officer in the Police Department, due to the retirement of Captain Stephen Pollum in late November.

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for discussion or comments. Commissioner Hall requested clarification on the replacement of an officer with Acting Mayor noting one upcoming retirement and the need to keep the same number of officers.

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

COMMUNICATIONS - COUNCIL AND CITY STAFF

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Acting Mayor Gover announced Administrator McLaughlin was receiving her ICMA Credentialed Manager's recognition at a conference.

ATTORNEY & TREASURER - had nothing at this time.

CITY CLERK – announced 83 early voters over the last week, processing of Fire & Police Annual Reports, and upcoming retirement of Capt. Stephen Pollum.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - updated the Council on YMCA asphalt removal, demolition of 3224 Shelby, other demolitions, pending variances and special uses. Council discussed the demolitions and other properties with Attorney & Treasurer Owen updating status of the Young's Radiator Property.

FIRE – announced a number of Fire Prevention Safety Week talks and Open House as well as a request for another donated playhouse by SBLHC.

POLICE – announced a meeting with Mr. Gray on Thursday, beginning of sweeps on autos and trailers, graduation of Officer Jo Thomas from CSI training, and custody of Holiday Inn robbers.

COMMENTS BY THE COUNCIL

Commissioner Ervin – nothing at this time.

Commissioner Hall – nothing at this time.

Commissioner Rankin – nothing at this time.

Acting Mayor Gover – with no further questions from the public mentioned the successful rededication of the Depot, and thanked Jackie Record and Joyce St. Michael for their efforts with the Depot. Mrs. Record thanked the previous and present Councils and Mattoon Police Department for their efforts in completing the project.

Acting Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to recess to closed session at 6:50 p.m. pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act for the purpose of considering confidential medical information regarding a dependent of a City employee (citation).

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

Council reconvened at 7:42 p.m.

Acting Mayor Gover seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to approving the request for Medical Insurance Administrative Override 2010-01.

Acting Mayor Gover opened the floor for discussion or comments with no responders.

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Ervin moved to adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Acting Mayor Gover declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Acting Mayor Gover.

/s/ Susan J. O' Brien
City Clerk